

I was terribly distressed to learn yesterday that the 911 Commissions discovered the terrorist plots to bomb up to 10 US targets across the country from Washington to California, attempts to steal nuclear weapons, blow up nuclear power reactors, etc. This real horror means that the US MUST be even more prepared for emergency local, semi-local, coast to coast HF communications that the amateur radio service provides for FREE, trains yearly for, maintains levels of preparedness for. When the cell phones go down like they did in Manhattan during 911 terror attacks, it will be HF emergency communications that will carry the emergency messages.

Unfortunately BPL and its inherent interference to the HF frequencies where this emergency communications occurs, will obliterate the HF spectrum and make those emergency communications either difficult or impossible. Many Countries have banned the use of BPL because their testing proved its interfering nature. Please don't ignore those results. The American Radio Relay League has done testing that also proves the interfering nature of BPL and how it deliberately makes the entire HF spectrum unuseable. Where low background noise once existed, strong computer signals now exist, consisting of squeals and clicks and buzzes and tones. Only the strongest can make it through the noise, and still the BPL noise is in the background.

Other countries in the world have recognized the effects of BPL on the HF spectrum and banned BPL. How come the US continues to pursue BPL in light of all the negatives? I believe the US is being terrible arrogant by thinking it knows more than the rest of the world.

How can the Government allow national security emergency communications to be crippled by BPL? The Government should be asking the amateur radio service to please step up emergency communications training and equipment procurement, simulations, emergency preparedness, as the horrors of terrorist threats and actions escalate. Instead, BPL threatens to destroy emergency communications and cripple the ability of the country to provide communications when it needs it the most. This is such a shame, a national shame.

BPL will not enhance national security, but instead will make the US more vulnerable. If more terrorist horrors occur, there will not be any local or semi-local or coast to coast emergency communications because BPL will be interfering with those emergency communications, either eliminating emergency communications or making it more difficult to achieve emergency communications. I consider BPL a threat to National Security. Please help save our country by saving emergency communications. Please shut down BPL.